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# Microstructure and strength of graded structures produced by shot peening

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The structure and strength of low carbon steel samples have been analyzed after plastic deformation by shot-peening and cold-rolling. The fine scale surface microstructure caused by shot-peening extends to  $\sim 50 \mu\text{m}$  below the surface. The structure is graded and subdivided by dislocation boundaries and high angle boundaries showing a clear resemblance to the lamellar structure, which evolves during conventional rolling of bulk metallic materials from medium to high strain. As the surface is approached, the boundary spacing decreases to  $\sim 50 \text{ nm}$  at the surface. In parallel, the misorientation angle across boundaries increases to  $\sim 65^\circ$  of high angle boundaries. The cold-rolled steel shows a low hardening rate at high strain and by assuming additive strength contributions from Hall-Petch and dislocation strengthening, the flow stress has been expressed by the relationship  $\sigma - \sigma_0 = k_2 D_{av}^{-0.5}$ , where  $D_{av}$  is the average spacing between the low and high angle boundaries which subdivide the microstructure,  $\sigma_0$  is the friction stress and  $k_2$  is a number which is expressed in terms of structural parameters which have been determined by electron backscattered diffraction. It is found that calculated  $k_2$  values are in accord with an experimental value of  $310 \text{ MPa } \mu\text{m}^{0.5}$ . In the shot-peened steel the increase in  $D_{av}$  with increasing distance from the surface is transformed into a stress profile based on the  $\sigma - D_{av}$  relationship established for cold-rolled bulk samples. The calculated stress profile is validated by comparison with the experimental profile based on hardness measurements, and good agreement is found. This result points to a wider application of the suggested method to derive the local flow stress in a deformed microstructure based on a measurement of the local boundary spacing and the stress-structure relationship for the bulk material in the deformed state.

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